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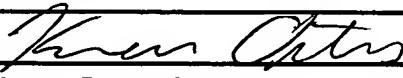
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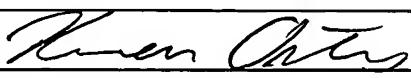
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent

Small Entity	
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
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PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure

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Applicants believe that these references are no more relevant than the previously submitted Canadian reference 2,348,328 from which the newly provided reference claims priority or appear to be otherwise related.

A list of the references is set forth on the attached Information Disclosure Statement.

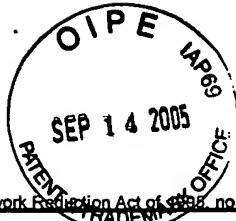
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